

the planning area, the patterns and relationships of the major land uses, and the amount of land devoted to each use.

This data is presented graphically on the Existing Land Use Map on page 20. The location and relationship of various land uses in the town and within the one mile fringe area can be seen at a glance. A more detailed description and analysis appears in the accompanying charts and text.

#### LAND USE CATEGORIES

In order to facilitate the recording and analysis of land use in the Biscoe Planning Area, existing uses were grouped, according to their functional characteristics, into seven major categories: Residential, Business, Services, Industry, Public and Semi-Public, Transportation, and Agricultural and Undeveloped. A brief definition of each category follows:

Residential -- Structures housing one or more families or households, including one family and multi-family dwellings, apartments, and mobile homes.

Business -- Establishments selling commodities to the general public:

- . . Primary -- low bulk comparison and specialty items -- drugstores, grocery stores, department and variety stores, clothing and hardware stores;
- . . Secondary -- usually high bulk items -- furniture and appliances, stores, automobile and mobile home dealers, farm implement and machinery dealers, and building supply concerns.

Services -- Establishments of a business character which supply general needs of an intangible nature to the public:

- . . Business (including Professional and Consumer) -- services pertaining to the person for his immediate use -- banks, doctor's office, insurance agency, restaurants, barber and beauty shops, and nursing home;